

**Fellowship in Surgical Sleep Medicine**  
**Surgical Treatment for Sleep Breathing Disorders and Obstructive Sleep Apnea**  
**University Health Network, Toronto, Canada.**

This is a one-year salaried comprehensive fellowship in surgical management of sleep breathing disorders and facial deformities at the University Health Network, a world class academic hospital in Toronto, affiliated with University of Toronto.

This funded fellowship at UHN offers graduating or early career oral and maxillofacial surgeons a unique opportunity to gain advanced training in surgical and dental interventions of sleep medicine. It is designed to foster expertise in diagnosis and management of sleep-related disorders, allowing our trainees to become leaders in this critical area of healthcare. The fellowship will not only enhance surgical skills but also position the successful candidate at the forefront of an evolving field that is essential for comprehensive patient care.

The fellowship offers didactic and surgical training in **orthognathic surgery** as the foundation of **skeletal sleep surgery**, highlighting the fundamental differences between treatment for **dentofacial deformities** and malocclusion versus skeletal sleep surgery for management of obstructive sleep apnea.

Fellows will develop expertise in assessing and providing surgical and non-surgical treatment options for patients with sleep breathing disorders, the diagnosis and management of complications following maxillomandibular advancement surgery (MMA) and mandibular advancement device (MAD) therapy, and cross-disciplinary treatment of OSA with sub-specialties in Sleep Medicine, including Otolaryngology, Respirology, Anesthesia and Psychiatry.

The fellowship further offers:

1. Orthognathic surgery clinics (consultation, treatment planning, VSP, surgical and postsurgical care).
2. Soft tissue airway surgery training with otolaryngology sleep surgery
3. Interdisciplinary surgical sleep clinics: maxillofacial and otolaryngology
4. Sleep medicine clinics with leading academic sleep physicians in the province
5. Sleep lab, polysomnography and coding sleep studies
6. Dental sleep medicine didactic course and clinics to emphasize role of dentistry in management of sleep breathing disorders:
7. Sleep medicine fundamentals review course: registration and travel expense included.
8. Research: Clinical and translational research, dedicated research time centered around clinical decision making and quality improvement.

9. Conference attendance and presentation at international surgical sleep society, world sleep society as well as the Canadian, American and International OMS conferences. Registration and travel expenses included.
10. Opportunity for one-on-one mentorship with Dr. Tina Meisami and extensive clinical private practice.
11. Minimal emergency call coverage.

### **Qualifications:**

- DDS or DMD degree from an accredited dental school.
- Completion of an accredited oral and maxillofacial surgery training program.
- Fellow of Royal College of Dentists of Canada or eligibility
- American Board of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery certification or eligibility.
- Foreign dental school graduates will be considered but must meet Royal College of Dental Surgeons of Ontario licensure requirements.

### **How to Apply:**

Please apply to program director Dr. Tina Meisami at [tina.meisami@uhn.ca](mailto:tina.meisami@uhn.ca) by submitting:

1. Curriculum Vitae
2. Statement letter outlining your brief biography and interest in this position
3. Recommendation letter from OMFS residency program director
4. Name and contact information of 3 professional references

The fellowship is from July 1, 2026, to June 30, 2027. The application process opens on November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025, and will close on January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2026. **The deadline for submission is January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025.** The decision for successful candidate will be announced in February 2026.

### **Additional Information:**

This new surgical fellowship commenced on July 1, 2024, and welcomed the inaugural Surgical Fellow. This program is Canada's first OMFS fellowship that is dedicated to surgical management of sleep breathing disorders and represents a significant advancement in our commitment to excellence in surgical education and patient care.

With the rise in the diagnosis of sleep breathing disorders, in particular obstructive sleep apnea (OSA), and the realm of sleep surgery rapidly changing, it is vital that OMFS training program curriculum adapts to meet the needs of our patients. By integrating surgical sleep medicine into our educational program, we expect/aspire to equip our fellows with the knowledge and skills necessary to address OSA.

We look forward to receiving your application and the opportunity to work with an enthusiastic, dedicated fellow in a forward-thinking, patient-centered environment. As a diverse and inclusive community, our program reflects the rich multicultural fabric of Toronto, ensuring we honor and embrace a wide range of personal, cultural, and professional perspectives.

The University Health Network and University of Toronto invite applications for a fellowship position that champion our commitment to fostering a multicultural, equitable, inclusive, and diverse environment. We believe that a rich tapestry of perspectives enhances our educational

and research excellence, and we are dedicated to creating a workplace where every individual feels valued and empowered. Our institution proudly embraces diversity in all its forms, providing a supportive community that encourages collaboration and innovation. We seek candidates who not only bring exceptional academic qualifications but also a passion for contributing to an inclusive academic culture that reflects the diversity of our learners, patients and society at large.

Toronto, one of the most vibrant and dynamic cities in the world, is a hub of cultural richness and opportunity. Known for its welcoming atmosphere, the city boasts an array of neighborhoods that celebrate various cultural heritages, offering a unique lifestyle for residents. From world-class dining, arts, music and sports to beautiful parks, festivals and recreational facilities, Toronto provides an exceptional quality of life. The city's commitment to social equity and sustainability, combined with its status as a global center for education, technology, and business, makes it an ideal place for successful candidates and their families to thrive. We invite you to consider joining our team and becoming part of a community that values diversity both in the workplace and in the vibrant city of Toronto.

**Benefits:**

- Salary \$67,000 CAD
- Professional Development Assistance
- Conference Registration and Travel Reimbursement
- Mentorship
- Professional Growth
- Recognition & Support
- Supportive Leadership
- Exceptional Culture & Values
- Full Time
- Paid Time Off 4 weeks
- License reimbursement
- Malpractice Insurance
- Opportunities for Advancement
- Tuition Reimbursement
- Beautiful Communities
- Great People